At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, August 9, 2005, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman Doug Mood, Commissioner Robert H. Raney, Commissioner

Commissioner Thomas J. Schneider left written notes with Chairman Jergeson and Commissioner Brad Molnar left his proxy votes with Commissioner Mood.

APPEARANCE Scott Fabel Utility Division

(306) In the matter of Qwest Services Corporation May 2, 2005 filed Tariff Transmittal 05-10, Residence On-Line Ordering Promotion- Docket No. N2005.5.76:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the request to extend the promotion period until September 30, 2005 in Tariff Transmittal 05-10, Docket N2005.5.76, Residence On-Line Ordering Promotion. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## **APPEARANCE**

Wayne Budt, Administrator Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(307) In the matter of T-05.28.PCN- Fort Belknap Emergency Medical Services dba Fort Belknap Medical Transportation Services request for approval for self insurance for liability purposes for a one year period, August 9, 2005 to August 9, 2006:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve Fort Belknap Emergency Medical Services dba Fort Belknap Medical Transportation Services request for self insurance for liability purposes for a one year period, August 9, 2005 to August 9, 2006. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(308) In the matter of T-05.31.ST- Glendive Transfer and Storage Co., Inc. dba Miles City Moving and Storage, Miles City, Montana 59301 filed application to transfer PSC No. 1473 to Kenneth W. Sorenson and Evelyn J Sorenson dba Kootenai Transfer and Storage, Libby, Montana:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the transfer of PSC No. 1473. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(309) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of July 25, 2005. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Martin Jacobson Legal Division

(310) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of N2005.8.118- Annual ETC Certification:

Commissioner Raney moved to direct staff to proceed in the Annual Certification of ETC's as the Public Service Commission did in 2004 but in addition the letter would reference the Service Standard Rules. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Schneider did not vote on this matter.

APPEARANCE Will Rosquist Utility Division

(311) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2005.7.110- Electric City Power petition for approval of a small customer supply program:

Commissioner Raney moved to deny the application for license to serve residential and small business customers pending Commission approval of the small customer supply program in this same docket. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Eric Eck Utility Division

(312) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of NorthWestern Energy Accounting Order for pension expense:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve NorthWestern Energy's request for an Accounting Order in Docket No. D2005.8.116. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Martin Jacobson Legal Division (313) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of NorthWestern Energy Consolidated gas and electric USB's- Dockets No. D2004.7.99, D2004.12.192, D2005.6.106:

Commissioner Raney moved to grant AARP's motion in part, to change the schedule to eliminate the simultaneous response testimony and schedule a hearing for October 6, 2005 with the Commission ruling on October 11, 2005. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Schneider did not vote on this matter.

## APPEARANCE Kate Whitney, Administrator Utility Division

(314) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Out of State Travel to obtain approval for: (1) Marla Larson to attend the fall CREPC meeting in San Diego September 20-21, 2005; and (2) Phil Cooke to attend the annual meeting in Philadelphia September 24-27, 2005:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve travel for Marla Larson to attend the fall CREPC meeting in San Diego September 20-21, 2005, and Phil Cooke to Consumer Affairs annual meeting in Philadelphia September 24-27, 2005. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There	being no	further	business to	come	before th	ne Co	ommission	the	meeting	was adio	urned.

BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones Commission Secretary

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